

WE CAN MAKE RAIN

General Drydenfurth's Efforts Were Successful.

HEAVY DOWNPOUR PRODUCED

By the Explosion of Balloons Filled With Hydrogen and Oxygen—Another Attempt Tuesday.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Nov. 26.—The experiments at rain-making which were begun here yesterday afternoon by Gen. R. T. Drydenfurth and party were kept up until 11 o'clock this morning. The results, while not as successful as they might have been, were successful enough to demonstrate the theory of producing rain by means of concussion is a correct one. When the work of bombarding began at 10 o'clock last evening there were a few clouds overhead and in the southern and western portions there were banks of thunder heads piled up. By 9 o'clock, however, the heavens were cleared and the moon and stars shone brightly. There were eight hydrogen balloons sent up during the night at intervals of about every forty-five minutes. These balloons arose to heights from 1,000 to 2,000 feet and then exploded with terrific force, the concussion being felt for several miles around. The bank of clouds in the southeastern horizon began to move upward by 11 o'clock and being propelled by a strong wind from that quarter the heavens were soon overcast. It was 1:45 o'clock when a particularly ominous cloud came up and soon was directly overhead.

One of the aerial monsters was let go with a fuse timed at two minutes. The balloon contained 1,000 cubic feet of hydrogen-oxygen and rose almost perpendicular to a height of 3,000 feet, when it exploded in the very center of the cloud. A slight sprinkling rain had begun to fall a few minutes before, but the balloon's explosion was followed by a drenching down-pour, which, however, lasted but a few minutes, when a slow drizzle set in and was kept up until 4 o'clock this morning. There were in addition to the balloons about 4,000 pounds of rosebuds exploded on the ground and 100 shells in mid air. The wind during the entire time that the experiments were in progress was blowing a gale from the southeast and it has never been known to rain before here when the wind is from that quarter. The old inhabitants give General Drydenfurth and his party credit for the slight fall last night. There was no experiment today, in progress being decided to discontinue operations until next Tuesday, when arrangements will be completed for a more extensive and thorough test.

GENERAL RATE CUTTING.

The Vanderbilt and B. & O. Lines Taking a Hand.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—The Pennsylvania is busy these days making and meeting reduced rates. Hardly had the notice of the \$1.25 rate either between Chicago and the Ohio river been announced, before a reduction to \$3.50 was announced for next Tuesday. General Passenger Agent Ford then started to make the low rates obnoxious, and will undoubtedly make still lower rates unless General Passenger Agent Baker of the Monon forestalls him in the reductions. The \$1.75 and \$18.50 rates of the Pennsylvania from Pittsburgh via Chicago to Kansas City are starting up competitors all over the east. The Vanderbilt lines have now taken part and the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie and Lake Shore, via Cleveland and Chicago, today announced a \$14.75 rate from Pittsburgh to Kansas City. The Vanderbilt element is an entirely new one in the controversy, and by cutting 75 cents under the Pennsylvania reduction, announces its intention of making a hot fight. The B. & O. will meet this \$14.75 rate of the Vanderbilt line. The Pennsylvania will also probably meet it. In that case the Vanderbilt line is certain to make another reduction. No line between Chicago and Kansas City has yet agreed to join in making the reduction in rates.

KILLED BY AN EARTHQUAKE.

The City of La Union, in San Salvador, To. Italy Destroyed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—The City of Sydney from Panama brings news that the city of La Union, in San Salvador, a place of several thousand inhabitants, has been visited by an earthquake. Several persons were killed, while nearly all the houses in the place were laid low, and those left standing are not safe to live in. The destruction is complete, and according to one of the passengers in Sydney the people were parading the streets headed by priests praying loud to abate the disturbance.

FEMALE MURDERER.

Alice Parker, alias "the Kid," Captured Near Santa Fe.

SANTA FE, N. M., Nov. 26.—John McLeod and Sam Pollock, two Sierra county rangers in pursuit of horse thieves, yesterday came upon a band of three and a fight ensued in which one of the thieves was killed and one wounded. The third proved to be a woman named Alice Parker, alias "the Kid." She was dressed in male attire with a big revolver in her belt. She and her wounded partner are in jail.

Detained for Disinfection.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—The Hamburg Packet company's steamer *Albatross*, which arrived today, left Cux Haven on the river Elbe November 13 with 106 cabin and 228 steerage passengers. These passengers came from the interior of Germany and went directly on board the steamer at Cux Haven without stopping at Hamburg and under the usual disinfection and observation before sailing for America. The steamer will therefore be detained by Dr. Jenkins until the cargo and baggage can be thoroughly disinfected.

Watkins Will Manage "Em."

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 26.—The Brown stockings will be managed next season by W. H. Watkins, who played the Detroit team to the world's championship in 1891.

Gov. Gouldn't Hit "Em."

KANSAS, Va., Nov. 26.—The steam yacht *Sunshine*, which conveyed President

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Driving the English Working Men Out of the Market—Sensational Disclosures in the Panama Scandal.

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financial expedients hitherto employed by the government, and suggests that a modification be made in the paper money. The premium on gold grows less daily. On Thursday it was 177 and yesterday it had fallen to 165.

Made a Three Years' Agreement.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 26.—A three years' agreement between the management and the employees of the Canadian Pacific railway has been arranged from one end of the system to the other. Thorough satisfaction with the result of the negotiations appears to exist on both sides. The terms of the agreement have not been made public.

Fair Trade Club.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The fair trade club which advocates a tariff for protection has given notice to the police of its intentions to hold meetings in Trafalgar square on Saturdays and Sundays in the months of December, January and February to solve the problem of the lack of employment for thousands of English men and women.

Selling Egyptian Sites.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Large sales of Egyptian and Portuguese sites have been made in the London and Paris markets. The sales are said to be on account of the estate of Baron De Reich, who died in Paris a few days ago under suspicion of committing suicide on account of his connection with the Panama canal.

Cross of the Legion of Honor.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Wm. Woodall, liberal member of parliament for Hanley, has had the Cross of the Legion of Honor bestowed upon him by the French government for his services in the Paris exhibition of 1889.

Another Revolt in Hayti.

PAIDAMA, Nov. 26.—A revolt is said to have been suppressed in Hayti. It was poorly sustained and of no importance, and has not been followed by an execution.

Zanzibar Is Safe.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The steamer *Zanzibar* from Galveston for Liverpool, before reported with loss of propeller, has arrived off Browhead.

No Anarchist Meeting.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The anarchists have abandoned their intention of holding a meeting in Trafalgar Square on Sunday.

Steamship Albert Ashore.

PANAMA, Nov. 26.—The steamship *Albert*, from Gibraltar, is ashore at Boyca Cuzias.

GREAT STOCK COMPANY

Formed to Develop the Soda Lakes of Wyoming.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Ex-Governor Campbell of Ohio, William Allen, R. J. Deane, Arthur B. Townsend, George Green all of New York City, John W. of Wyoming and Charles J. Berne of Chicago have formed themselves into a company with a capital of \$3,000,000 for the development of a vast quantity of property in various portions of Wyoming. The objects of the company, as declared by the agreement articles of incorporation, are to buy and develop the soda lakes which are owned by Mr. Weir and are producing every kind of soda for which use can be found; the irrigation of 6,000 acres of land; the opening up of 10,000 acres of coal and 600 acres of iron land. One railroad, of which a short road already has been made, will run through the valley of the Sweet Water. The other will run from Johnston to the crossing of the Northern Pacific and the Big Horn river, a distance of 300 miles. The land to be irrigated is contiguous to Johnston. The coal and iron lands are in the Sweet Water valley, west of Platte river. The whole cost involved will be about \$12,000,000 at the lowest possible estimate. The smaller railroads will be finished in about a year, and the remaining work will be brought to a termination as speedily as possible.

WON BY THE TARS.

Annapolis Downs West Point by a Score of 12 to 4.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Nov. 26.—It was a great day for the Navy eleven picked men. The pride of the United States naval academy matched their strength, power and science against that of West Point's eleven in the great game of football, while the army and navy picked eleven met in a thrilling battle between the cadets of Uncle Sam's two academies, and though the navy were in the heart of the enemies camp, they carried everything before them and won a great victory. Never has more stubborn fight been made in playing at West Point, and never has more friendly rivalry between the military and naval academies been brought out more distinctly. Officers of the army and navy to-day nearly as much interest in the game as the cadets did, and they were present to cheer their respective sides. The game was a brilliant one, the field work being done by both teams. The Tars won by a score of 12 to 4.

Double Tragedy at Summerville.

CHAATANOOGA, TENN., Nov. 26.—A peculiar double tragedy occurred at Summerville, Ga., this evening. A young man named Jarvis, wife of a prominent citizen, became engaged in a quarrel with a negro and struck him over the head with a shotgun. The weapon was discharged, the lead striking Wooten in the chest, killing him instantly. The skull of the negro was fractured and he will die before morning.

Yale and Harvard Ties.

BOSTON, Nov. 26.—Six to six was the score of the great football game between the Harvard and Yale freshmen eleven today. Yale led for most of the afternoon. At one time it seemed as if the crimson would triumph over the blue, but with the Harvard boys in the lead at the close of the first half, Yale went into the game with the dogged determination to tie the score and if possible to gain a victory.

Death of Prof. Goldie.

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 26.—Matthew Goldie, for twenty-two years head professor of Princeton college, died suddenly in Philadelphia yesterday afternoon. He will be buried on Monday.

Not Contract Laborers.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Acting Secretary Spaulding this afternoon directed Commissioner Welch at New York to release the fourteen Belgian glass

NO CHANGE AS YET

Mr. Blaine's Condition Remains the Same.

BELIEVED THAT HE HAS CANCER

Nobody but Members of His Own Family Permitted to See Him—Many Conflicting Reports.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—There is no change to report in Mr. Blaine's condition today. The family and the physicians still maintain their reticence, and what little they say is simply misleading. Thus on yesterday an inquirer at the Blaine house was told: "Mr. Blaine is up and dressed." Today the same inquirer was told: "Mr. Blaine is much better, but still in bed." The report that Murat Halstead saw him yesterday is incorrect. Neither he nor anybody except the family and physicians have seen him for over a week. His most intimate personal friends have asked to see him, but all have been refused. The family is annoyed at the alarming published reports of his condition and seeks to deny them. Dr. Johnson remained with the patient throughout the night. The report that Mr. Blaine has cancer of the stomach is circulated here and is pretty generally believed. The talk that the family will spend the winter in California is revived and there is just this much truth in it: If Mr. Blaine should recover sufficient strength to bear the fatigue of the journey it will be made. Should he only rally slightly a trip to the south, probably to Asheville, N. C., will be made. If he does not rally he will remain, of course in Washington.

NO EXTRA SESSION.

Senator Faulkner Says There Is No Occasion for Calling One.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Senator Faulkner of West Virginia, who is one of the democratic leaders in the senate, said today that he was not in favor of an extra session of congress and did not believe there was any necessity for one. Senator McWood had a short conference this morning with Senator Gorman before the latter started for home. Mr. Weir has been mentioned as a candidate for the United States senatorship. He refused to talk politics. State Senator Z. Erwin and a number of other representatives from up the state are in town today. From some it was learned that the republican votes in the legislature would be cast for Senator Frank Hiseock in the election for United States senator. Charles Hackett is still confined to his room, but is much improved. Senator Gorman, in the opinion of many politicians here, will be offered a place in Mr. Cleveland's cabinet, probably secretary of state.

RELICS FOR THE FAIR.

The Newark Will Transport the Vatican's Great Collection.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Notwithstanding opposition in the navy department it is certain that a United States naval vessel will be assigned the duty of conveying to this country the exhibit of relics relating to the discovery of America, loaned by the Vatican from its museum for the world's fair. Unless some well founded reason should intervene the United States cruiser *Newark* will be given the assignment. In view of the great rates attending its transportation it will be impossible to secure the presence of the Viking ship now at Stockholm at the world's Columbian exposition. A fac simile of the ship is, however, being built in Norway which, manned with a crew of hardy Norwegian sailors, the Vikings of today, will next spring sail across the Atlantic, up the St. Lawrence river and across the lakes to Chicago.

PENSION ESTIMATES.

It Will Require Nearly \$167,000,000 to Pay This Year's Claims.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—The secretary of the interior today transmitted to the secretary of the treasury the estimates required to pay pensions for the fiscal year. The sum of \$166,831,350 will be necessary to pay pensions on account of the army and navy, including the maintenance of pension agencies, clerk hire, and other incidental expenses. In addition to the estimate of \$146,737,350, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1892, the fiscal year of \$120,508,621 is asked. During the first year of the present administration an estimate of \$80,000,000 in round numbers was sufficient to pay pensions and other incidental expenses.

ALABAMA LEGISLATION.

Congress Asked to Make an Appropriation for the Nicaragua Canal.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 26.—In the state senate today a memorial asking congress to adopt measures to promote the early completion of the Nicaragua canal and its control by the United States was adopted by a unanimous vote. Resolutions were also passed submitting constitutional amendments to be voted on at the next general election, authorizing towns, counties or communities to levy special taxes for schools and road improvements. Both measures have been sent to the house and will be acted on promptly by that body.

Tillmanites Will Dedicate Legislation.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 26.—The Tillmanites members of the legislature, who outnumbered the conservatives four to one, brought into effect a general caucus system last night, after a long and arduous session. They decided to hold caucuses at intervals, and will shape all matters of legislation. The conservatives will be excluded and everything will be decided by the will of the majority at the caucuses.

Will Go to California.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—The family of General Sherman are anxious for him to go to California to recuperate, and if he gains sufficient strength at Fortrose Moore to stand the long journey, he will probably return to his old home there.

Not Contract Laborers.

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blowers detained by him pending an investigation. This investigation developed the fact that they were not contract laborers, and their release was therefore ordered. They will go to Pittsburgh, Pa., where they expect to obtain employment.

DEMOCRATIC CONFERENCE.

The Extra Session Question Will Be Discussed by Leaders.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—An important conference of democratic leaders, it is expected will be held in this city on Monday or Tuesday of next week, at which the question of an extra session of congress after the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland will be discussed. Some of the leading democratic tankers and business men of the city may also be asked to express their views on the subject of an extra session of congress. Some of the leaders who will be present at the conference it is understood will oppose an extra session of congress.

Improving the Indian Schools.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Mrs. M. A. Dorchester, special agent for the Indian school service reports an improvement in school buildings and their general comfort. While much remains to be done, the tone of the Indian school service shows that an earnest effort is being made to bring it up to a high standard, industrially, intellectually and morally.

President Harrison's Message.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—President Harrison has begun the writing of his annual message to congress. He desires to give it his close attention until it is concluded, and today denied himself to as many callers as possible. He will continue to do so until his message is concluded.

Abandoned the Reservation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—An order was issued at the war department today turning over to the interior department for disposition the Fort Thomas, Ariz., military reservation. The reservation was abandoned some time ago, not being needed for military purposes.

To Resubmit the Law.

YAKTOS, S. D., Nov. 26.—A poll of the new legislature on the question of the resubmission of the prohibitory law shows in seventeen out of fifty-two counties heard from, thirty-one on joint ballot in favor of resubmission and twenty-three against.

Office Seekers Besiege Adlai.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Vice President-elect Stevenson arrived at the Palmer House early this morning. Mr. Stevenson arrived here much encouraged and now entertains strong hopes for his speedy and permanent recovery.

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Dr. Scott Is Better.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Dr. Gardiner after visiting the Rev. Dr. Scott tonight said he was much better and he had hopes of getting him on his feet again in a few days.

Oppose the Anti-Option Bill.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 26.—The cotton exchange of Memphis this afternoon memorialized congress in opposition to the Hatch anti-option bill.

Murdered While Hunting.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 26.—Archibald Hart, who lived a few miles from Fredericksburg, went on Wednesday turkey shooting. Failing to return at night, his friends feared he had met with an accident, and on the following morning started out in search of him. He was found dead in a "blind," having been shot in the head. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict that he had been murdered by persons unknown. A young man named Henry Snelling has been arrested on suspicion.

No Fools Like Old Fools.

SCIENTON, Pa., Nov. 26.—Thomas Penbridge, 80 years old, and Mrs. Sarah Von Stron, 70 years old, were married here today. The groom is a well-to-do farmer of Spring Brook township and lost his first wife two years ago. His bride was twice a widow. Both are great grandfathers.

Rockefeller Buys a Railroad.

COLUMBIA, O., Nov. 26.—Financial complications of Columbia, Lima & Milwaukee railroad, under construction, have been settled as reported by the sale of the road. Reports differ as to purchases, the Baltimore & Ohio and John W. Rockefeller being named.

Ghost Hawk Indicted.

STOCK, FALLS, S. D., Nov. 26.—The United States grand jury has returned an indictment against Ghost Hawk for the murder of his wife. The case has been transferred to Deadwood, where the trial occurs in February. Ghost Hawk is held without bail.

Choyinski a Winner.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 26.—Four thousand people saw Joe Choyinski knock out Jack Fallon, "the Brooklyn strong boy" in four rounds at the Ariel Athletic club tonight. As a wind up of the show, Butler and Choyinski boxed three friendly rounds.

Jay Gould Is Alive.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—A rumor became current in Wall street just before noon today that Jay Gould was lying at the point of death at his home, at the corner of Forty-Seventh street and Fifth avenue.

Corn Blockade.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 26.—The Picayune's Laredo, Texas, special says: It is only five days until duty on corn in Mexico will be re-established, and yet there are nearly a thousand cars of corn blocked up here awaiting shipment.

Vanderbilt Jewels Saved.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—The Vanderbilt jewel safe was in the hottest part of the fire and some of its treasures are badly damaged, while others do not show the least effects of the fire.

Ramsey Found Guilty.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 26.—Robert Tappan, an indolent colored boy who was shot and killed by a white man, a photographer named Fuller, at Greenwood tonight.

Reversing the Usual Method.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 26.—The United States grand jury today returned an indictment against a colored man named Fuller, at Greenwood tonight.